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TO: Fund Priority Class "B" and "C" Claimants

SUBJECT: **UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK (UST) CLEANUP FUND (FUND),
REMINDER: 18-MONTH LINE ITEM BUDGET DUE FEBRUARY 1, 2009**

By a letter dated October 23, 2008, the Fund informed you of immediate actions that we are taking in response to a low cash balance. One of the actions was the requirement that an 18-month line item budget be submitted no later than February 1, 2009. This letter can be viewed at http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/water_issues/programs/ustcf/.

The purpose of this letter is to remind you of the deadline and the importance of receiving this information. For those claimants who have already submitted your budgets, we sincerely appreciate your timely submittals. For those yet to come, Fund staff looks forward to receiving your budget at your earliest possible convenience. Finally, for those Priority Class C claims that have been suspended, it is very important for you to submit your budget estimates, as these costs may be reimbursable by the Fund at a later date as funds become available.

As was explained in the October 23, 2008, letter, the purpose of the 18-month budget is to allow us to better anticipate future cash needs. In addition, these budgets will allow Fund technical staff to coordinate and evaluate your proposed corrective actions with regulators. Moving forward, the Fund is making a concerted effort to review future work before costs are incurred. Our goal is to approve a framework of future activities and expenses to better align necessary corrective action with available funds.

The budget forms, instructions, and examples are provided on the Fund's Web site. Copies can be requested at the phone number or e-mail address provided below. The budgets can be submitted via email at USTCF_Payments@waterboards.ca.gov or by mail to the Fund. After your budget has been reviewed, you will be notified in writing when Fund staff concurs with the budget, or if additional information is needed. As always, reimbursements will be based on availability of funds, regardless of our concurrence.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Fund at (800) 813-FUND (3863) or by e-mail at USTCleanupFund@waterboards.ca.gov.

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